

DATA AT A GLANCE  
**WEST COVINA PUBLIC SAFETY UNION**  
**CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES**  
**IN SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION OF A CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE OR MEASURE**  
**NOVEMBER 2018 ELECTION**  
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West Covina's public safety unions spent the most amount of money supporting and opposing candidates and measures in the November 2018 election. This chart shows how they spent their money. Employee influence on our elections is a growing resident concern. <sup>1</sup>

Office and District	Candidate	Position	Type of Payment	Description	Amount	
<b>West Covina Firefighter's Political Action Committee <sup>2</sup></b> (I.D. No. 1227285)						
City Council Member District 4	Dario Castellanos <sup>3</sup>	Support	Monetary Contribution	Contribution	\$500.00	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Yard Signs	\$1,399.53	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Campaign Mailer <sup>4</sup>	\$3,107.15	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Doorhangers	\$490.09	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Lawn Signs <sup>4</sup>	\$717.59	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Campaign Mailer <sup>4</sup>	\$473.24	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Campaign Mailer <sup>4</sup>	\$3,107.15	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Media Expense	\$4,584.00	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Campaign Mailer	\$2,660.07	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Doorhangers	\$494.78	
	<b>Support Candidate Sub-Total:</b>					<b>\$17,533.60</b>
	James Toma	Oppose	Independent Expenditure	Mailer	\$3,487.15	
		Oppose	Independent Expenditure	Media Expense <sup>4</sup>	\$1,125.00	
		Oppose	Independent Expenditure	Doorhangers	\$3,175.63	
<b>Oppose Candidate Sub-Total:</b>					<b>\$7,787.78</b>	
<b>District 4 Expenditure Total:</b>					<b>\$25,321.38</b>	
City Council Member District 5	Tony Wu <sup>3</sup>	Support	Independent Expenditure	Campaign Mailer	\$3,417.93	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Campaign Signs <sup>4</sup>	\$473.25	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Media Expense <sup>4</sup>	\$1,125.00	
<b>District 5 Expenditure Total:</b>					<b>\$5,016.18</b>	
City Treasurer Citywide <sup>5</sup>	Colleen Rozatti	Support	Monetary Contribution	Contribution	\$500.00	
		Support	Independent Expenditure	Campaign Mailer <sup>4</sup>	\$4,729.51	
Appointment of City Treasurer by City Manager <sup>6</sup>	Measure T	Oppose	Independent Expenditure	Media Expense <sup>4</sup>	\$4,729.51	
		Oppose	Independent Expenditure	Media Expense <sup>4</sup>	\$1,125.00	
		Oppose	Independent Expenditure	Lawn Signs <sup>4</sup>	\$717.59	
<b>City Treasurer &amp; Measure T Expenditure Total:</b>					<b>\$11,801.61</b>	
<b>West Covina Firefighters Political Action Committee Expenditure Total:</b>					<b>\$42,139.17</b>	
<b>West Covina Police Officers Association PAC Sponsored by Sponsored by West Covina Police Officers Association</b> (I.D. No. 1280884)						
City Council Member District 2	Letty Lopez	Support	Monetary Contribution	Contribution	\$500.00	
		<b>District 2 Expenditure Total:</b>				
School Board Member West Covina Unified School District	Jessica Shewmaker	Support	Monetary Contribution	Contribution	\$500.00	
<b>WCUSD Expenditure Total:</b>					<b>\$500.00</b>	
<b>West Covina Police Political Action Committee Expenditures Total:</b>					<b>\$1,000.00</b>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL PAC Expenditures "Educating Voters" on How to Vote in the November 2018 Election:</b>					<b>\$43,139.17</b>	

**Notes:**

<sup>1</sup> This chart was compiled using Recipient Committee California Form 460 forms posted on the city website page "Campaign Disclosure Reports" in the section "General Purpose Committees."

<sup>2</sup> Recipient Committee California Form 460 forms were submitted with expenditures not itemized for required reporting periods. Amended reports were filed at a later date itemizing the expenditures. This chart was compiled using the amended reports.

<sup>3</sup> Candidate ran as self-funding his campaign.

<sup>4</sup> Reports show several identical dollar amounts. Chart uses date, candidate, and description as a distinguishing variable as follows:  
 • \$3,107.15 : 10/12/18 and 10/22/18 for campaign mailer support Castellanos;  
 • \$ 717.59: 10/22/18 for lawn signs support Castellanos | 10/22/18 for lawn signs oppose Measure T;  
 • \$ 473.24: 10/22/18 for campaign signs support Castellanos | \$473.25 for campaign signs support Wu (1 cent difference)  
 • \$1,125.00: 10/22/18 for media expense oppose Measure T | 10/22/18 for media expense support Wu | 10/30/18 media expense oppose Toma  
 • \$4,729.51: 10/21/18 for media expense oppose Measure T | 10/22/18 for campaign mailer support Rozatti

<sup>5</sup> The City of West Covina has two citywide offices at this time--City Treasurer and City Clerk. In November 2018 Both offices had two candidates run for office: City Treasurer: Colleen Rozatti (Incumbent) and Marcia Solario (Audit Committee Member); City Clerk: Nick Lewis (Incumbent) and Steve Bennett (Commissioner). Rozatti and Lewis were the successful candidates in their respective race.

<sup>6</sup> The previous council voted to place two measures on the November 2018 ballot. Neither measure passed. Had they passed, the position would have changed from an elected position to one filled by City Manager appointment. Both models are found in city government.

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